MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Utah State Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Patti Harrington

State Superintendent of Public Instruction

DATE: April 4, 2008

ACTION: R277-525, Special Educator Stipends (New Rule)

Background: The 2008 Legislature passed SB2 that allocates funds (\$2,900,000) to provide \$200 per day stipends to special educators for up to ten additional working days. The additional days are not required, so the number of days available to each educator will depend to some extent on participation. The rules required for program implementation will describe procedures required of the State Office of Education, special educators, school districts, and charter schools.

Proposal: Staff will review the new rule, R277-525, Special Educator Stipends with the Law and Policy Committee.

Anticipated Action: It is recommended that the Law and Policy Committee approve the new rule, R277-525, Special Educator Stipends, on first reading and that the Board approve the new rule on second reading.

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